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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121 AND § 372

Applicant hereby elects Group I directed to claims 1-17, drawn to an apparatus having a nozzle or plural nozzles and a jet mechanism for jetting a mist liquid. However, Applicant respectfully traverses the requirement as the standard is whether the claims are directed to a single inventive concept and not whether claims 1-17 requires each of the technical features of claims 18-23. Claims 1-17 and 18-23 are very similar to one another. Claims 1-17 describe a cleaning apparatus that has at least one nozzle for applying the cleaning liquid of claims 18-23. Claims 1-17 is an application of the cleaning liquid featured in claims 18-23. As such, it is Applicant's position that claims 1-23 are connected to one another by a uniform inventive idea.

Favorable consideration on the merits is requested.

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